

As we enter December, it's almost the halfway point for our S3 students before they enter the senior phase at Lornshill Academy. This year has certainly been a quick one so far and our students continue to impress on a daily basis with their enthusiasm and eagerness to learn.

As stated last week, we are keen to develop how we communicate with parents and partners and to that end we have set up a Facebook page to complement our Twitter page. You can find us on Facebook via the following link and the page will give a wee insight into daily life at Lornshill Academy:

[https://www.facebook.com/lornshill/?view\\_public\\_for=101139298511772](https://www.facebook.com/lornshill/?view_public_for=101139298511772)

Now that we have started rolling out our access to lockers once again for students, I want to clarify a couple of issues around this. For S3 students who have previously had their own lockers, they can now access these again. For those wanting a locker for the first time we are awaiting new lockers becoming available. We will update you in due course about when this will be possible.

During these times, I am aware that it can be unsettling when you are made aware of confirmed COVID cases within our school. Please be assured that we continue to operate within the guidance issued by our health and safety team and there has been no evidence of transmission happening within Lornshill Academy.

Lornshill Parliament meets again next week (virtually!) and on the agenda is the Lornshill Deal. The Deal is central to our work as a school and this Parliament meeting will offer students the chance to have their say on how it is currently going. Should your child wish to participate in this meeting, tell them to let me know by the end of this week so I can send them an invitation to join.

Latecoming is an issue that is affecting a significant number of our S3s and I have started to make direct contact with parents of students who are repeatedly late at either the start of the day or after lunchtime. It is absolutely vital that all students attend on time to ensure they can access full lessons but also to minimise disruptions to our classes and other students. Your ongoing support to help improve things in relation to this is much appreciated and if you have any concerns around this, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mr Burrell

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